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UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.97(C)(2)

Hon. Commissioner for Patents

Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98 copies of the following patents and/or publications are submitted herewith:

United States Patent No. 6,126,195 (Lutz), dated October 3, 2000;

German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 100 25 417 A1 (Müller), dated November 30, 2000, and English abstract thereof;

German Published Non-Prosecuted Patent Application DE 197 50 182 A1 (Aigner et al.), dated May 27, 1999;

German Utility Model DE 200 04 063 U1 July 27, 2000, pertaining to air bag module and externally disposed drive for the cover;

Japanese Patent Abstract JP 05 050 893 (Mamiya), dated March 2, 1993;

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European Search Report dated May 23, 2002.

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97 (c) (2), consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is requested.

Enclosed is the fee in the amount of \$180.00.

Respectfully submitted,

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